



an opportunity to rule on the lawsuit’s merits,” a plaintiff must also “establish a relationship between the injury claimed in the [plaintiff’s] motion and the conduct asserted in the complaint.” Devose v. Herrington, 42 F.3d 470, 471 (8th Cir. 1994)). “[A] preliminary injunction may never issue to prevent an injury or harm which not even the moving party contends was caused by the wrong claimed in the underlying action.” Omega World Travel v. Trans World Airlines, 111 F.3d 14, 16 (4th Cir. 1997).

Applying these principles, the court concludes that Bonds’s motion for preliminary injunctive relief must be denied. The motion does not address any of the requirements set forth in Winter, much less make a “clear showing” as to each requirement. Winter, 555 U.S. at 22. Additionally, at the time the motion was filed, Bonds had been transferred to Wallens Ridge State Prison (Wallens Ridge), and the motion focuses largely on unrelated actions that occurred there, including the denial of grievance forms, the use of force by a Wallens Ridge officer, and the use of restrictive housing as a form of punishment. As noted above, the instant action stems from incidents that occurred at Red Onion. New assertions of mistreatment, which are unrelated to the claims asserted in the operative complaint, “cannot provide the basis for a preliminary injunction in this lawsuit.” Devose, 42 F.3d at 471.

Finally, the record reflects that Bonds was recently transferred to Sussex I State Prison. Consequently, it appears that any request for injunctive relief specific to Wallens Ridge has been rendered moot. See Rendelman v. Rouse, 569 F.3d 182, 186 (4th Cir. 2009) (“[A]s a general rule, a prisoner’s transfer or release from a particular prison moots his claims for injunctive . . . relief with respect to his incarceration there.”).

For these reasons, it is hereby **ORDERED** that Bonds's motion for preliminary injunctive relief, ECF No. 15, is **DENIED**. The Clerk is directed to send a copy of this order to Bonds.

It is so **ORDERED**.

Entered: May 3, 2024



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